Suicides in Florida

SURVEILLANCE DATA: 2013

FLORIDA INJURY PREVENTION

www.floridahealth.gov/injury

Non-fatal suicide attempts are more common. Not all self-inflicted injuries are suicide attempts.



In 2013, there were 2,892 suicides & another 9,559 hospitalizations for non-fatal self-inflicted injuries.

Certain characteristics are shared:

Depression, other mental disorders or substance abuse.

A **family history** that includes suicide, mental illness, violence substance, physical or sexual abuse.

All People Can Be at Risk for Suicide.

CONTRIBUTING FACTORS

Prior suicide attempt.

Having firearms in the home.

Incarceration.

Being exposed to others' suicidal behavior.

Know the warning signs—protect family & friends.

Threats or comments about killing themselves. Increased alcohol and drug use.

Aggressive behavior or rage.

Withdrawal from friends, family and community.

Dramatic mood swings.

Preoccupation with death.

Impulsive or reckless behavior.

45%

of people who die by suicide have seen a health provider in the month before their death. 20%

of suicide victims have had contact with mental health services before their death.

POSSIBLE SOLUTION

Train health care providers to recognize signs of suicide.



LEARN MORE: www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org—1-800-273-TALK (8255) www.thetrevorproject.org—1-866-488-7386 www.floridasuicideprevention.org

Men are more likely to die by suicide.

Women are more likely to attempt suicide.

SUICIDE RATES:

MALES

Increased from age 15–64. Decreased from age 55–74. Increased after age 74.

FEMALES

Increased from age 15–54.
Decreased through age 84.
Increased slightly for ages 85+.

Who is Injured?

of Suicides &

Hospitalizations

Other &

Non-Whites

80

786

Non-Fatal

Combined

Males 85+ had the highest rate of suicide.

Females, 45-54, had the highest non-fatal hospitalization rates.

DEATHS

Hospitalizations

RATE

52.6

52.4

53.3

52.2

49.5

YEAR

2009

2010

2011

2012

2013

NON-FATAL HOSPITALIZATIONS

24% Suicides & 59% Non-Fatal Hospitalizations

Females

686

5,676



Males 2,206

3,883

Suicides &

41% Non-Fatal

Hospitalizations

Suicides & Non-Fatal Hospitalizations Combined

Whites 2,648 7,717

9% of Suicides &

of Suicides & Non-Fatal Hospitalizations Combined



156 926 Male suicide rate was 4.2 times higher than females.

The non-fatal hospitalization rate for females was 1.4 times higher than males.



2,892

Men are more likely to use deadlier methods, such as firearms or surrocation.

Women are more likely than men to attempt suicide by poisoning.

Suicide & Self Harm Rates per 100,000



\$20,587
Median admission charge for non-fatal assault injury

\$346 MILLION

hospitalizations.

Total charges exceeded this amount.

2 DAYS

Median length of stay.

Deaths	
YEAR	RATE
2009	15.3
2010	14.6
2011	14.6
2012	15.6
2013	15.0





WHO PAID?

Self-paid or Underinsured, 26% Commercial Insurance, 24% Medicare, 23% Medicaid, 23%

Florida Injury Prevention floridahealth.gov/injury 850-245-4440 Injury@flhealth.gov

